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OUR KUNTRI KO'TEMPORERIZ.

Az a jeneral rüf ol lidiñ jurnalz emanet from lärj biznez senturz hwèr ci inturests ov tréd briñ togeaur nûz from ol kworturz ov ae wurld. In our kuntri, Nû York, Bostun, Filadelfia, Woçiqtun, Çikögó, and San Fransisko wud sîm tu bî ae most propur plésez for a jurnal on eni nû subjekt, and in Yûrup, Livurpûl, Lundun, Paris, Vaiena and uaur sentral points, hwail ae smô'ar tounz ar mór sûtabl for lókal nûz, and kan hârdli ekspekt tu kompst wia aér mór fêvurd néburz.

Wf faind houevur dat ae stamp ffür ekstends yûniversali and ofn ci eksaitment bréks out in sum skûl or viley tu só grét an ekstent az tu surpas siti kolekturz for a taim. Enterpraisiñ boiz çô aér talents bai suplaiñ kolekturz at a gud profit hwic iz jenerali invested in a gud kolekçun, and ofn aér spèr taim is yûzd in advertaizin in sum boiz jurnal and içyuiñ a prais list inklûdiñ pakets and rikwairiñ a stok ov stamps ov de valyu ov from \$10 tu \$100; hwen de latur iz ae kés ci içyu ov a munali jurnal iz kontempléted az ae rediest mfnz ov advertaizin aér stok, hwic an surz veri wel for a fû numburz until its novelti iz óvur, aftur hwic it absorbs a lärj amount ov kapital and seldom wia korespondiñ riturnz.

Wf hav hûrd a grét meni pârtiz létli tðkiñ ov startiñ a jurnal. Our ón eks-priens wil perhaps giv qem sum aidia ov aér rikwairments. We hav our ón taip and fikseurz, and du ol but ae printiñ; ae formur kost us about \$150, and nou ci ekspensez ar about \$25 pur munia. Wiq a pêd list ov 300 sub-skraiburz wi lúz about \$200 pur yîr bi-saidz ae trubl ov korektiñ prüfs, raitiñ artiklz eta. Az an advurtaizer it péz us

but in itself ae pépur kan not bi kounted a sukses. Our sistem ov prspéiñ pôstej kosts a gud dfl hwic iz jenerali sévd. Sum jurnalists hav taim tu set up aér ón pépur, and in sum késez dû aér ón printiñ hwic ov kôrs matrisali ridûsez ci ekspens.

Wf hav nou tú kuntrijurnalz divôted tu stamps and koinz about ae saiz ov our ón, and bog 25 cents pur yîr. Wun iz ce Stamp kolekturz Gaid stârted last Dfsemebur bai ci Amerikan stamp kumpani ov Meriden Konetikut, konténin a munali list ov stamps and sum veri rïdabl orijinal ártiklz; wí dû not egzakli agrí wia aér sentimentr, az wí ad-vôkét varasitiz ov kulur ets, for hwic aé giv us ae flaturiñ taitl ov óld fogî. If wí ar aér ar plenti ov qem amuñ Nû York kolekturz, and wí ainq a winturz trip tu ae siti wud benefit our rustik frend.

Our uaur kótemporeri iz ci Amerikan koin and stamp Rivû, publiç bai Ce Kistón stamp asosieçun ov Alentoun, Pa. Aér furst numbur for Mé iz mostli mëd up ov ártiklz and aitemz from uaur pépurz, amuñ qem wí nótis a transléçun ov our ártikl on E'ncunt or modurn koinz hwic luks veri wel wia ci eksepçun ov aér mistekiñ our Grsk inskripçun for Saidun tu rïd Sodium, hwic woz burnd loq biför koinej woz bigun. Dé giv a prais list ov koinz hwic iz raçur an aí opnur tu Nû Yorkurz. Furst kumz ce Fûçtwangur sent ov 1837 for \$8, hwic selz hîr at from 10 tu 25 cents; nekst kums a Massacûsets sent fér for \$6. Aér stamp list oláo a çort wun iz qwait moderet.

Wi wiç our frendz a gud sirküléçun ov aér rispektiv jurnalz, and çal bñ glad tu welkum eni uaurz hû mé foló aér egzampl.

LIST OF STAMPS FOR JUNE.

|   | new.       | used. |
|---|------------|-------|
| Arg. Repub. 1867 5 cent. red            | \$   \$ 10 |       |
| Antioquia 10 - 20 centavos              | 50         |       |
| Bavaria return letter stamp 4 varieties | 10         |       |
| Canada Envelope 5c. red                 | 15         |       |
| Ceylon " 2 pence green                  | 10         |       |
| " " set of 10 uncut                     | 5 00       |       |
| Chili 1867 5-10 centavos                | 05         |       |
| Confed. States 1861 Davis 5c green      | 20         |       |
| " " 5c blue                             | 30         | 25    |
| " 1862 Jackson 2 green                  | 1 50       |       |
| " " Madison 10 red                      | 1 50       |       |
| " " 10 blue                             | 35         |       |
| " 1863 small size 5 blue                | 01 05      |       |
| " " 1 yellow                            | 40         |       |
| " " (10 cents) blue                     | 01 05      |       |
| " " 20 green                            | 03 10      |       |
| " " 2 red                               | 10         |       |
| " " (TEN CENTS) blue                    | 4 00       | 4 00  |
| Corrientes 1864 (3 centavos) yellow     | 1 25       |       |
| Dutch Indies 1870 50 cent red           | 08         |       |
| Egypt 1865 1-2 piastres                 | 15         |       |
| " 1867 pyramids 5 paras yellow          | 03         | 03    |
| " " 10 liac                             | 08         | 08    |
| " " 20 green                            | 12         | 08    |
| " " 1 piastro red                       | 20         | 05    |
| " " 2 blue                              | 40         | 15    |
| " " 5 brown                             | 65         | 30    |
| France Republic 1870 set of 8           | 1 25       |       |
| Great Britain ½ d. wrapper 2 sorts      | 02         |       |
| Guatemala 1 centavo yellow              | 06         |       |
| Liberia set of 3                        | 1 00       |       |
| Luzon 1864 12½ blue                     | 18         |       |
| " " 25 rose                             | 35         |       |
| Mecklenburg Sch. 4-4ths, 2-3 sch.       | 03         |       |
| Mexico, Maximilian 25c. engraved        | 1 00       |       |
| " Guadalajara 1-2 reales                | 4 00       |       |
| Modena eagle 15 cent yellow             | 03         |       |
| New Granada 1871 5 yellow               | 15         |       |
| " 1870 2½ triangular                    | 12         |       |
| Oldenburg 1866 set of 5                 | 25         |       |
| Parma 1854 6 centesimi rose             | 15         |       |
| Roumania 1866 2-5-10 paras              | 10         |       |
| Russia 1869 Envelope 10 brown           | 10         |       |
| " 1870 local for Yver red               | 20         |       |
| " " Longa blue                          | 20         |       |
| Servia 1869 20 paras blue               | 10         |       |
| St. Domingo 1869 ½-1 real               | 20         |       |
| Spanish West Indies 1867 5c. lilac      | 10         |       |
| " 1871 set of 4                         | 1 25       |       |
| " " 25c. de peseta blue                 | 08         |       |
| " 1855 2 reals carmine                  | 35         |       |
| Uruguay 1864 06 red                     | 18         |       |
| United States Envelopes cut square      |            |       |
| 1861 24c. in two colors                 | 35         |       |
| 1864 6 pink on buff & white             | 10         |       |
| " 3 brown "                             | 05         |       |
| 1865 2 black, 3 colors                  | 03         |       |
| 1870 1 blue on white & buff             | 03         |       |
| " 2 brown on buff & orange              | 03         |       |
| " 3 green 3 colors                      | 03         |       |
| " 6 red on white & buff                 | 12         |       |
| " 12 purple                             | 15         |       |
| " 24 "                                  | 30         |       |
| " 30 black "                            | 40         |       |
| 1871 adhesive 90 cents rose             | 05         |       |



THE CONFEDERATE LOCALS.

These stamps which were used by the Postmasters at the south in 1861 are now among the most eagerly sought and highly prized of any stamps. There are really many more of them than is generally supposed. We have only had descriptions of about 25, while a full list of all the varieties would exceed 100. The following partial list includes a few not generally known;

ATHENS GA. 5c. purple.

BATON ROUGE LA. 5 red.

CHARLESTON S. C. 5 blue on white.

" Env. 5 " yellow.

" " 5 " blue.

COLUMBIA S. C. 5 blue.

FREDERICKSBURG VA. 5 blue, 10 red.

GREENVILLE ALA. 5 blue.

KNOXVILLE TENN. 5 red.

" Env. 5 buff.

LIVINGSTON ALA. 5 blue.

MACON GA. 5 green.

MEMPHIS TENN. 5 red 2 blue.

" Env. 5 red on yellow.

MOBILE ALA. 5 blue, 2 black.

NASHVILLE TENN. 3 red; 5 red, 5 drab, 10 green.

NEW ORLEANS, 2 bl e, 2 red, 5 brown, 5 brown, on blue, 5 red.

PETERSBURG VA. 5 red.

PLEASANT SHADE VA. 5 blue.

RHEATOWN VA. 5 red.

— R. H. GLASS P. M. 5 blue.

We have also several variations in the types color and paper of the above, of which a few collectors make distinction.

A gentleman who has a fine collection informs us that shortly after the fall of Charleston he obtained from boys whom he induced to hunt them up, over a peck, not of the Confederate stamps which were thought nothing of, but of the locals, which he gave away to friends and officers in the army.

Many of these stamps are now on old letters throughout the South, and it will be worth while for those who have the facility to hunt them up, for many of them sell for \$10 apiece and upwards. We have bought quite a number at from \$5 to \$10 and shall be glad to get more of them as long as the demand continues. They are worth at least a dollar more, when preserved on the original envelopes.

We applied to the Internal Revenue Department for some of the match and proprietary stamps now out of use and were informed that they are authorized by law to issue stamps from private dies only to the owners to be used upon their own proprietary articles.

**LIST OF COIN CATALOGUES.**

The following order is observed: 1 No. of days  
sale, 2 day it commenced, 3 owners name, 4 location,  
5 auctioneers name or initials, 6 price of  
clean catalogues, 7 priced.

| 1     | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1864. |   |   |   |   |   |   |

1 June 29 Cogan N Y. B M & Co. 1.  
 " " " " large paper

1865.

1 Jan. 10 Ed. M Thomas Wash'n McGuire

1 Mar. 6 Chicago Gilbert & Sampson

5 " 13 Dr. Chilton N Y. B M & Co. 1. 3.

" addenda No. 1. 1.

" " 2. 1.

" 20 W E Woodward N Y. J E Cooley

" " " " large paper

" 24 Gointoem Strong

1 " 24 Phila Thomas

1 Apr. 18 Brooklyn Hegeman 1.

3 May. 29 J N T Levick N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.

" " " " large paper

" " " " supplement

1 " 30 N W Sanitary Fair Chicago

1 June 29 E Cogan N Y. B M & Co. 1. 1.

" " " " large paper

1 " S H Chadbourne Prov. Sheldon

1 July 12 " Boston Mc Gilvray 1.

5 Oct. 16 Dr. F S Edwards N Y. B M & Co. 2.

" " " " addenda 2.

2 " 24 Mr Dawley " 1. 1½

1 " 26 Dr Abrahams Boston S Hatch 1. 1½

Nov. 13 Benj. Haines " J E Cooley 1. 1½

" " " " addenda 1.

1 Dec. 18 " B M & Co.

4 " 19 W E Woodward " J E Cooley

" " " " large paper

" " " " addenda

1 " 20 Boston Conant & Sherburne 2. 1½

1 Dec. 22 A S Robinson N Y. J E Cooley 1.

1 " 27 " B M & Co. 1.

1866.

2 Feb. 14 Dr. L Turner Boston. Saml. Hatch 1.

" " " " addenda 1,

2 " 19 E J Barra San Francisco

4 " 27 W E Woodward N Y. J E Cooley 2.

1 Mar. 6 Phila. Thomas

" 26 N Y. B M & Co. 1.

4 Apr. 24 W E Woodward " Leavitt 2.

" " " " large paper

1 May 3 E Cogan Phila. Birch 1.

2 " 23 Boston Leonard 1. 1.

" 24 addenda " 1.

" 25 O H Harpel Cin. S G Hubbard

1 Oct. 18 Marsh N Y. Miner & Somerville 1.

" 19 J K Story Boston Saml Hatch 1.

Nov. 9 Dr. T G Collins Cin. S G Hubbard

" 13 W H Corner N Y. B M & Co.

" 27 Phila. Thomas & Son

2 Dec. 6 C Lightbody N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.

" 10 Jecks & Paine N Y. Leavitt 1. 2.

" 15 N Y. Miner & Somerville

" 8 Boston Leonard 1. 1½

" 24 N Y. B M & Co. 1. 1½

1867.

1 Jan. 11 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 " 15 W Beakin Chicago N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 Mar. 5 W Beakin Chicago N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 " 7 " " " .50 1.

2 " 18 Phila. Birch & Son .50 1.

1 " 19 " B Scott Jr. .50 1.

" 27 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

3 Apr. 18 W E Woodward N Y. Leavitt 1. 2.

" " " addenda 1. 1.

3 " " Cincinnati S G Hubbard

4 " 24 Zanoni & Bogert N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.

3 June 5 L Breckemin Phila Davis & H. 1.

1 " 13 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 " 18 " " " .50 1.

2 " 27 " " " .50 1.

Sept. 30 " " " .50 1.

5 Oct. 28 Woodward Mickley Col. 3. 6.

" 31 " addenda 2. 2½

Nov. 12 Louis Borg N Y. Leeds 1.

1 Dec. 27 B M & Co. .50 1.

" 30 " .50 1.

1868.

1 Feb. 13 N Y. B M & Co. .50

3 June 3 James Oliver " " 3.

1 July 1 John Neppes Phila. Birch 1.

1 Nov. 28 N Y. B M & Co. .50

2 Dec. 14 " Leavitt & Son .50 1.

1869.

2 Apr. 13 E T Farmer Phila. Birch .50 1.

2 " 28 N Y. Leavitt & S. .75 1.

1 May 31 " B M & Co. .50

2 June 4 " Leavitt & S. .50

2 " 23 M L Mackenzie N Y. " 1. 2.

3 Sept. 6 E P. Thru Phila. Birch .50 1.

2 Oct. 13 M W Dickeson " " .50 1.

1 " 15 A S Robinson N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

2 " 18 J C Randall " " .50 1.

2 Nov. 16 J W Hazeltine " " .50 1.

1 Dec. 1 Phila Birch .50 1.

2 " 17 J M Wilbur N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

" 21 Mason & C. Phila. Martin .50 1.

1870.

1 Jan. 21 J B Longacre Phila. Thomas .50 1.

1 Apr. 22 N Y. B M & Co. .50

3 May 3 L M Bond " Leavitt & S. 3.

" 19 M W Dickeson Phila. Birch .50

3 " 25 J C Newcomb N Y. Leavitt & S. 3.

2 June 4 " " ".50 .75

" 17 B M & Co. " .50 .75

" 17 No. 2 " " .50 .75

" 17 Leavitt & S. .50 .75

Oct. 4 Fewsmith N Y. Leavitt 3.

Oct. 19 " B M & Co. .50 .75

Dec. 21 W Idler " Leavitt. .50 .75

" 23 Boston Leonard .50 1.

1871.

Jan. 16 N Y. B M & Co. .50 .75

2 Feb. 16 " Leavitt & Co. .50 .75

5 " 27 Gov. Packer " B M & Co. 3.

Mar. 29 Phila. Birch

3 Apr. 3 " " ".50 1.

1 " 8 " " ".50 1.

1 " 21 Leavitt & Co. .25 .50

2 May 3 Emil Cauffman B M & Co. .50 1.

2 June 1 N Y. B M & Co. .50

### NOTICES OF AUCTION SALES.

At the sale of coins at Bangs' June 1st & 2d. the following comprise the principal sales:

Silver medals: Adam Eckfeldt \$9; Erie Canal \$6 25; "Libera soror." 1782 peace medal \$60; "Fautissima fædere j ncte" 1782 do \$6; Andrew Johnson \$5 25; Tin medal of Jas. Madison \$5; American gold: Eagle 1804 uncirculated \$35; Double eagle 1860 do., rare variety \$32; Mormon \$5. piece \$9; Silver:  $\frac{1}{2}$  dime 1795 fine \$7; do. 1797 \$7; Proof sets: 1857 \$14 50; do 1858 \$14 50; Greek tetradrachms averaged \$6; Roman denarii averaged 50c; Oliver Cromwell  $\frac{1}{2}$  crown fine \$15.

American colonials &c: Auctori Plebis good \$6 50; Immunis Columbia do. \$7; Excelsior do. \$14; do. not so good \$12; British Settlements Kentucky, silver \$82 50, do. copper \$33; 1792  $\frac{1}{2}$  dim. \$10 50; Washington cent 1797 small eagle fine \$10; do. 1792 Genl. of Am. armies \$10; do. born Virginia Feb. 11 1792 \$14; Declaration medal \$12; 1808 Wash'n, medal \$10; 1794 Dollar faint date \$5 50.

American cents: 1795 uncirculated \$14; 1825 do. \$6 50; 1843 54-55 proofs each \$7; 1857 do. \$4 50; half cents: 1793 \$9; 1795 thick die \$6; 1841 proof \$5; 1847 do. \$16.

At the sale of the collection of coins of Emil Cauffman of Phila.. May 3d. and 4th., the following prices were realized:

American Silver: Dollars, 1794 \$32; 1795 fillet head nearly proof \$17; 1846 -47-49-54 proofs each \$15; 1851-52 each \$22; 1855 proof set \$50; 1856 do. \$19; 1857 do. \$15; 1858 do. \$14 25; Half dollars: 1794 fine \$12; 1795 nearly uncirculated \$19; 1797 good \$16; English penny tokens uncirculated brought from 10 to 25 cts. each.

Pattern pieces: 1792 half dime \$44 50; 1836 flying eagle dollar \$10; 1838 do. \$39; 1839 do. \$23; Washington, Liberty and security 1795 in brass \$25; Massachusetts cent 1787 uncirculated \$8 50; 1788 do. very fine \$8; Greek tetradrachms: Alexander \$10; Demetrius Soter \$10; Lysimachus \$7; Ptolemy Soter \$9; Philip II. \$6 50; Roman gold: Trajan \$5; Valentinianus \$7 75; American cents: 1793 liberty cap \$9 50; do. link very fine \$15 50; do. flowing hair \$8 50; 1795 thick die \$5 50; 1797 fine \$6 50; 1799 fair \$9 50; 1804 fine \$13; 1811 very fine \$30; 1825 uncirculated \$9 50; 1856 & 57 proof each \$6 25; Half cents 1795 thick die uncirculated \$29 50; 1797 do. \$9.

The results of this sale show that the interest in American coins is on the increase. The total proceeds were \$ 1791.

We give this month the balance of our list of coin catalogues; as a general rule half a dozen priced catalogues of the principal sales will be a sufficient guide to the market value of coins for most collectors.

For American coins we would recommend the 5 and 6 days sales of Mr. Woodward, also that of Benj. Haine, and for foreign coins that of Gov. Packer &c. There are however some collectors who prefer to preserve them all in the form of bound volumes, arranged according to date. To those who wish to make such a set our list will be found invaluable.

### LETTER FROM GEN. JED. HUNTINGTON.

Now in the possession of D. M. Collins 87th. St. near first ave. N. Y. City.

"PEEKSKILL, Oct. 24 1781.

My lord

You will have all the news viva voce, by Mr. Jackson, yet to fulfill my Promise to your lordship and to tell you I have a Pleasure in doing it, I put to paper a few things.

The General has good Intelligence of the Fleets sailing from N. Y. the evening of the 19th.—25 h.p.s of the line, 3-50's—3-40's—about 6000 Troops on board, Clinton himself, they have some Fire ships under the Guise of Frigates hoping to deceive Count de Grasse with them—they are prepared with a species of Carasses calculated to burn their Sails and Rigging but of all this apparatus, Information was dispatched to his Excellency four days before the Sailing of the Fleet.

G. Washington was by his letter of the 6th. to open his Trenches the Evening of that day.

I am, my lord, with great Sincerity, Your lordships most obe. t Servant.

Jed. Huntington."

M. Gen. Lord Stirling.

We have been obliged this month to delay answering some of our correspondence on account of moving to our new place, No. 53 Nassau st. but have now become comparatively settled, and hope to be more punctual in the future. We find that advertising coins to sell by mail does not pay very well, the postage is so heavy, but we have a large variety in stock of both Foreign and American, and parties wishing coins will do well to pay us a visit.

We notice a statement in the Tribune that we are to have a new set of revenues as high as \$5000 on the first of July.

The Sunday Mercury for June 4th, contains an article on what they style the new mania containing many interesting facts about stamp collecting, but with that disregard of accuracy which generally characterizes newspaper articles; for instance it is stated that 200,000, is annually expended by stamp collectors in this city. One tenth of this amount would probab'y be nearer the truth. As a sample of their accuracy we are credited with having bought up a lot of fifteen cent stamps of the 1869 issue which are now worth from fifty cents to one dollar each!

Taking it altogether however it is a very readable article and will doubtless start up many new collectors.

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